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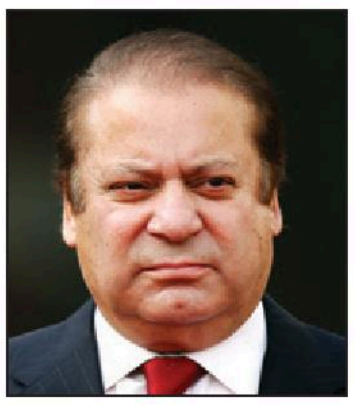

Islamabad, July 28- Pakistan's Supreme Court this morning ordered the removal of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif from office over accusations of corruption in the Panama Case. The verdict is likely to shift the country's tumultuous political balance and deal a serious blow to the legacy of a man who helped define the past generation of Pakistani politics. The removal of Sharif, who was serving his third term in office, comes roughly a year before his term was to end. The verdict means the governing political party, the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz, must choose an interim Prime Minister to replace Sharif until the next general election, which is scheduled for mid-2018.

Announced by the five-member Supreme Court, the verdict caps more than a year of high political drama, breathless court proceedings and a piercing investigation into the finances of the Sharif family.

(See SHARIF on page 9)

Nitish Kumar wins trust vote

Patna, July 28- Chief Minister Nitish Kumar has sailed through a trust vote in the Bihar Assembly with 131 of the 243 legislators voting for him.

The vote and a discussion before it were held amid protests and slogan shouting by Lalu Yadav's RJD, now the chief opposition party. Nitish Kumar wrapped up the discussion with a short speech, rejecting the opposition's allegation that his new alliance with the BJP has been built on political opportunism.

The RJD had requested a "conscience vote," a secret ballot in which legislators are not bound by orders to vote for their party, which has been rejected.

(See NITISH KUMAR on page 9)

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Mysuru, Friday 28th July 2017

Forewarned, yet *not* forearmed

The old saying "Man *doesn't* live by bread alone" may not convincingly impress people at large that they need much more than bread itself (the term *bread* representing all that we consume as food, both for pleasure and to keep soul and body together). Further, the expression "Man *shalln't* live by bread alone," attributed to Jesus, uttered while He was in the wilderness being tempted by Satan, amounts to sermonising. In either case, people invariably take liberties in choosing foods that adequately meet their needs of nutrition in addition to the kick they get out of enjoying the dishes on offer. Lessons learnt while overindulging in consuming food tend to be forgotten soon enough, only to do an encore as it were at the next eating opportunity, often bugged by the factor of addiction. Doing harm to one's health only on the food front by not adhering to the do's and don'ts principle may be the bane of one section in the population. The rest fall into a more unsafe zone by seeking other means of getting that kick, notably smoking and consuming alcoholic beverages.

The human body, being exposed to many situations hurting its acceptable norms of living free from afflictions, is endowed with mechanisms to overcome the threats to life, only to a certain extent. However, the cases of smoking tobacco and drinking spirits provide for very limited scope for the body to face their harmful consequences. But, the addicts couldn't care less. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) provides scientific evidence on tobacco as a cause of cancer and on strategies to reduce tobacco use.

Similarly, regular and excessive consumption of spirits has also been shown to hurt the liver by leading to cirrhosis of the vital organ, other than many deteriorative neurological conditions, which are beyond even the medical profession to restore the normal functions of the human brain. Knowledge on and understanding of the intimate connect between human health, nay ill health and tobacco as well as liquor can be accessed effortlessly nowadays, but there are no matching number of takers for the information.

In a people-friendly move, the Government of India has promulgated many laws to dissuade the land's people from indulging in smoking and drinking, even within harmless limits. But, those indiscreet addicts in particular, who are disdainfully disregarding the alerts, have proved to be forewarned, yet *not* forearmed.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

What makes Ram Nathji's election to the Presidency so Constitutionally memorable is that India is the only country in the world to have not just one but two Presidents. And it isn't as if the previous incumbent of Rashtrapati Bhavan is still lurking in the shrubbery. With characteristic graciousness, Pranabda has made a dignified exit. So how come our double-barrelled Presidency? Simple. The second barrel is supplied by none other than the PM, who's playing a double role. A number of people have been advocating that India needs to switch to a Presidential system of government. The arguments they've used have been cogent but unnecessary. Because the country already has a Presidential form of government, with the PM being both PM as well as de facto, if not de jure, President as well. Whether it's Swachh Bharat, or Demonetisation, or GST, or whatever you will, the PM has been running the country as its CEO, which is what Presidents do. How much more plural can a polity be than having a plurality of Presidents?

— Jug Suraiya in Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

"Satan's Shot"

London: A man from Surrey, UK, lost consciousness and had to be hospitalised after he and a few friends shared a bottle of Satan's Shot vodka, a special liquor infused with Carolina Reapers, the hottest chillies in the world. Emma Mirrington, 42, from Farncombe, bought a bottle of Satan's Shot vodka at Guildford Cheese and Chilli Festival, on Sunday, and decided to share it with some friends. They all gathered at the pub to sample the rare spirit, ignoring the label warning "Only Satan himself is brave enough to drink this vodka neat, if you feel fearless and want to drink with Satan, you will feel like you are burning in hell itself." It turns out the bottling company wasn't exaggerating one bit. The exact symptoms experienced by the group after taking a shot together were not revealed, but one man was hospitalised. A South East Coast Ambulance spokesperson confirmed that paramedics were called to assist a "man aged in his 30s and unconscious" who had consumed "a particular type of vodka."

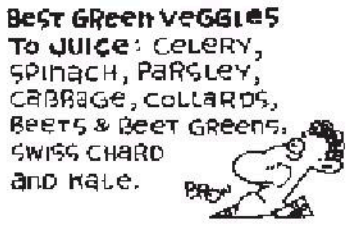
Unusual work commuter

Berlin: Most commuters in Munich, Germany, spend hours stuck in traffic or trying to squeeze into one of the overcrowded subway trains, every morning, but for 40-year-old Benjamin David, commuting is actually a relaxing experience. Every day, he jumps into the Isar River and swims two kilometers to his workplace in Kulturstrand.

Benjamin David used to be one of the thousands of Münchners trying to make their way to work on busy roads and cycling paths, but two years ago he decided that he needed to find a simpler alternative and the Isar River seemed like the obvious answer. Instead of paddling on a raft, Benjamin decided to swim to work instead, and that's been his main commute for the past two years. The swimming commuter found the perfect way to keep his things dry while he is in the water – a special bag that is not only waterproof, but also fills up with air when you roll it shut, acting as a buoy. It's called a 'Wickelfisch.' Right now, Benjamin David is the only person in Munich who uses the Isar River for his work commute.

HEALTH CAPSULE
by Bron Smith

What are the best juices to drink during a juice cleanse?



Green vegetables should be a prominent part of any juice cleanse. That includes vegetables and leafy greens. Fruits can also be a part of a green drink, as long as green veggies are the main ingredient.

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Music and Dance to mark Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Vardhanti at Nadabrahma this weekend

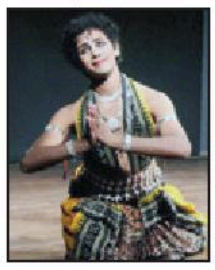
As part of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Vardhanti during July many programmes are held in city. Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha is organising a concert in memory of the great cultural ambassador on July 29 (Saturday) at 6 pm by **Vidu. Vrinda Acharya** (vocal). She will sing

the compositions of Wadiyar and other Mysore Asthana Vidwans accompanied by **Mattur Srinidhi** on violin, **Ranjani Venkatesh** on mridanga and **S.Manjunath** on ghata.

Vrinda Acharya has been recognised as one of the best Karnatak vocalists of Karnataka. Emphasis on bhava and clarity of sahitya, adherence to classical authenticity, eye for intricate nuances, wide repertoire and enthusiastic rendering of kritis are her special attributes which, coupled with a rich mellifluous voice, have groomed her into a proficient performer representing a purely classical school of music.

Vrinda's musical aptitude was noticed at a very young age, when she would impress many musicians with her innate flair for singing, and get their appreciation and blessings. She had her initial training in Karnatak vocal music from Vidu. Shaila Subrahmanyam. She then came under the tutelage of Sangeetha Kalarathna Karnataka Kalashri Vidu. Neela Ramgopal. She also receives guidance from her husband Mridangam Maestro Vid. Arjun Kumar.

On July 30 (Sunday) at 6 pm, Aneesh Raghavan from Pondicherry will perform Odissi dance. A disciple of the renowned Odissi exponent



Sangeeta Dash, Aneesh Raghavan has been trained under her in the Debaprasad Das style of Odissi, for the past ten years.

He is a B Grade artiste of Doordarshan and has had the privilege to dance before the former President of India Pranab Mukherjee. An initiation into Karnatak music at the tender age of four has helped him develop his talent in vocal which he studies under the guidance of the renowned vocalist and composer Rajkumar Bharati.

Really...?

- ***A cluster of bananas is formerly called a 'hand'. Along that theme, a single banana is called a 'finger'.***
- ***Onion is Latin for 'large pearl'.***

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VOICE OF THE READER

Traffic woes near schools:
Depute School Traffic Wardens

Sir,

With reference to the traffic issues at schools published in this column *(SOM* dated July 25), I would like to add some more points on the safety of school children at their schools.

As suggested by the reader, the Traffic Wardens Organisation (TWO) in association with city Traffic Police are organising traffic awareness programmes under the name of "School Association for Road Safety" (SARS), wherein various topics on road safety are being taught to school children in their school itself and forming SARS teams consisting of 8th and 9th std students and providing special training on controlling traffic near their school, to take care of the traffic in front of their school etc.

Communication was sent by TWO to many schools in this regard and some schools responded to it. School managements may approach the nearest Traffic Police Station or contact TWO (Subramanya, Dy Chief Traffic Warden on Mob: 8880888853) for details on SARS.

In continuation to the system being practiced in USA, in a similar way in Australia "Road Safety Education Programme" is being organised to provide educational resources and professional development to teachers and childhood educators on road safety for school children. The programme focuses on pedestrian, passenger and wheels safety, as well as future drivers.

Police Traffic Wardens in Australia control the children's crossing facilities in Western Australia and they provide training to the Crossing Guards or School Traffic Warden (school staff) in monitoring activities and the operation of children's crossings. Each school deploys one or two staff for this duty and it is the duty of these Crossing Guards to monitor safe movement of children while crossing the road near their school.

The Crossing Guards have the power to stop all vehicles even if a single child is crossing the road.

Providing zebra crossing in front of all the schools helps vehicle-users to stop the vehicle if they see any child approaching the crossing. Restrictions on speed near schools also may help to safeguard the children.

According to my observation, people might be aware of road safety; however, they do not want to follow the rules unless they see a person in 'uniform.' Hence, providing School Wardens with a special uniform, at least an overcoat with logos, may help in controlling the traffic near their school zone. All vehicle-users need to follow traffic rules for the safety of self and other road-users, especially school children.

—Dr. S.V.N. Vijayendra,
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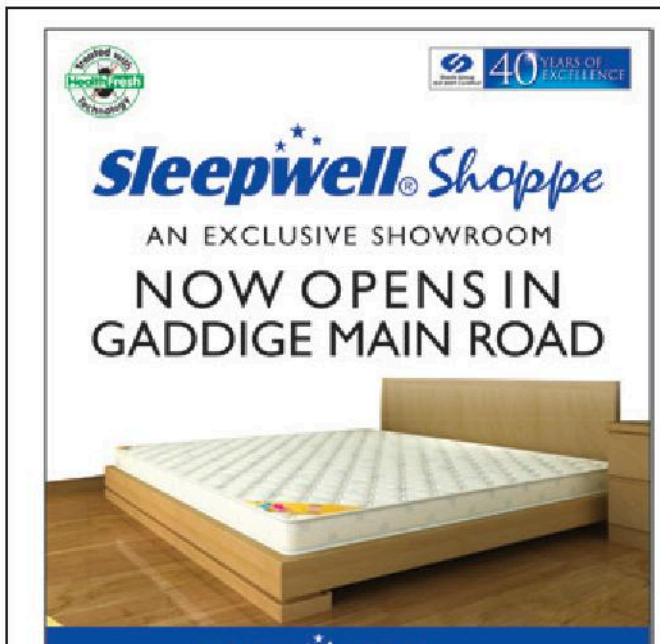

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NEWS BRIEFS

Story-telling

Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling for kids by Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar, Professor in Kannada, Maharani Women's College for Arts, Mysuru, tomorrow (July 29) from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm at Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2541795 or Mob: 92435-81097.

AGM

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysuru Region Engineers and Non-Technical Employees Housing Co-operative Society, will be held on July 30 at 10.30 pm in Sri Vidyashankar Nilaya Kalyana Mantap, Fort Mohalla in city. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4194666.

Objections invited

As per a Supreme Court directive, the provisional seniority list of Mysuru District Primary School teachers has been published in the Dept. of Public Instruction website: www.schooleducation.kar.nic.in and at the office of the District Education Officer. Objections to the list, if any, should be submitted at the South Zone BEO office latest by Aug. 4.

Calling SC students

The Social Welfare Department has asked all SC community students who have availed student scholarship, to link Aadhaar card with their bank account. For details visit the department office located in the premises of Government Boys Hostel, Nazarbad in city or call Ph: 0821-2520910.

Nursing admission

The Government has invited applications from SC/ST students for admission to Nursing course (2017-18). The interested SC/ST students can apply online - www.sw.kar.nic.in or www.tw.kar.nic.in before Aug.15. For details call Ph: 0821-2427140/2411113.

Tennis Ball cricket tourney

Dr. Rajkumar Kannada Yuva Sene and Ragini Dwivedhi Samaja Seva Samithi, Mysuru, have organised a tennis ball cricket tourney 'Power Star Cup 6' from Aug. 18 to 20 in city. Last date for the teams to register is Aug. 5. For details, contact Mob: 91645-51376 or 97393-01335.

Drawing competition

Naganava Kala Sahitya Vedike, Mysuru and Hiranmayi Prathistana have organised a drawing competition for students in two categories on Aug. 6. While students from 1st Std. to 4th Std. may draw the picture of their choice, while students from 5th Std. to 7th Std. may draw pictures pertaining to nature or environment. Paper sheets will be provided. For details, contact Mob: 84311-33003 or 99803-18011.

No immediate arrests in dowry harassment cases, rules SC

New Delhi, July 28 - A Family Welfare Committee (FWC) in every district will scrutinise dowry harassment cases before local Police can arrest the accused, the Supreme Court (SC) said yesterday, laying down a set of guidelines to curb misuse of law.

Indian Penal Code (IPC) Section 498A has been criticised for giving "disgruntled women" a legal option to harass their husbands, and the latest orders take forward measures announced by the top court in 2014 when it prohibited automatic arrests.

A Bench of Justices A.K. Goel and U.U. Lalit barred the Police from making direct arrest and said the involvement of civil society was necessary "to achieve the laudable object of punishing cruelty at the hands of husband or his relatives against the wife."

Quoting the National Crime Records Bureau's 2012 data, the Bench said that a quarter of all arrests were those of women — mothers and sisters of husbands — and while charge-sheets were filed at an "exponentially high 93.6%" of cases, only 14.4% ended in convictions. The report projected that out of the 3,72,706 cases pending trial in 2012, as many as 3,17,000 were projected to lead to acquittals.

The court, however, put a rider to its restrictions, saying that they were not valid in offences involving tangible physical injury or death. The top court also ordered that trial courts must decide bail applications in such cases on the same day as far as possible. Recovery of disputed dowry items may not by itself be a ground for denial of bail, if maintenance or other rights of wife/minor children can otherwise be protected, SC said.

According to the ruling, the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) will form the committee comprising three members who could be para-legal volunteers, social workers, retired persons, wives of working officers or citizens who may be found suitable and willing.

A dowry harassment complaint to the Police or Magistrate will be referred to the committee that can interact with the parties personally or through electronic communication. The committee must submit its report to the authority, which refers the complaint to it within a month.

Till the report is received, no arrest should be made, the court said. After considering the report on its own merit, the Police or Magistrate will proceed with further action.

SC also directed that only a designated Investigating Officer of the area shall investigate dowry harassment cases. Such designations must be done within a month, the court said. These officers must be trained, which the court held must be completed within four months.

CURBING MISUSE

- Form 3-member committee in every district of para-legal volunteers, social workers, working officers' wives or suitable citizens.
- Decide bail applications on same day as far as possible.
- Grant exemption from personal appearance or allow it by video conferencing.
- Don't make passport impounding or red corner notice routine for people residing out of India.

MCC must take possession of 62 layouts, says former Mayor

Mysuru, July 28 (SP) - Former Mayor **B.L. Bhyrappa** has urged the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to take possession of 62 layouts developed near the Outer Ring Road (ORR) to ensure that the residents could take up property development work.

Speaking to reporters at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, Bhyrappa said that of the 62 layouts, six were developed by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) while the remaining ones were taken up by private developers after taking necessary permissions.

Unfortunately, the MCC is yet to take possession of these properties though it has provided basic infrastructure to these layouts. "Residents are not allowed to pay property tax, water bills, etc. As a result, residents are finding it hard to take up renovation works or construct new buildings in these layouts," he said. The Deputy Commissioner has directed the MCC Commissioner to take all the fully developed 32 layouts under the ambit. "Due to non-collection of property tax, MCC is losing Rs. 20 crore every year, he claimed. There are over 5,000 houses built in these 62 layouts in areas like Nachanahalli, Koppaluru, Dattagalli, Vijayanagar 2nd and 3rd stages. Bhyrappa added that on Aug. 3, the residents of these layouts would meet the DC and submit a memorandum.

BSF soldier killed in accident

Charimanda Appi Thimmaiah

Gonikoppal, July 28- A Border Security Force (BSF) personnel was killed in an accident involving two two-wheelers near Hathur village in Kodagu district last evening.

The victim has been identified as Charimanda Appi Thimmaiah (44), a resident of Patel Nagar in Gonikoppal. He was returning from Virajpet in his Honda Activa scooter after attending to some personal work when the accident took place at around 4.30 pm. He was hit by a Hero Honda Splendour by Abdul Rehman of Kondangeri village.

The Police said the impact of the collision was such that Thimmaiah sustained severe head injuries and died on the spot with his helmet broken into pieces. Abdul Rehman and his pillion rider Mujeeb too sustained injuries.

Thimmaiah is survived by wife Pavithra, mother Ponnamma and two children Gourav Ganapathy and Krisha Dechamma. Thimmaiah was posted in Chhattisgarh and was with the BSF 19th battalion.

He recently took leave to come home to perform the last rites of his father Subbaiah who passed away on July 11. He was supposed to leave to his work place today.

Bike lifters held, 4 bikes recovered

Mysuru, July 28 (SBD&KS)- Saraswathipuram Police, on July 27, have taken two persons into their custody, who were riding a two-wheeler without registration plate near Taralabalu Educational Institutions in T.K. Layout here besides failing to produce relevant documents when asked by the cops.

The two persons have been identified as Narayana of T.K. Layout and Ravi of Hebbal. The duo has a case of robbery already registered against them at Saraswathipuram Police Station.

During interrogation, the duo are said to have confessed of stealing the two-wheeler following which they were arrested. When they were interrogated further, they have confessed of lifting two bikes in Saraswathipuram Police limits, one bike each in Kuvempunagar and Nanjangud Police limits.

Based on the information provided by the accused, the Police have recovered four bikes worth about Rs. 1.5 lakh from them.

The accused have been remanded to judicial custody, said Saraswathipuram Inspector Nagegowda.

Kannur-Mysuru corridor to be made NH

Thiruvananthapuram, July 28- The 181km Kannur-Mysuru Inter-State Highway via Mattanur, Makutta and Virajpet that links Kodagu will be made a National Highway (NH).

"We are in principle recognising the Kannur-Mysuru Inter-State Highway as NH and the formalities in this regard will be completed soon by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways," Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari told Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan who called on him in New Delhi on July 26.

The upgrade of the Inter-State Highway into NH will result in free movement of those going to Mysuru and Bengaluru by road from Kannur and improve road connectivity to the Kannur International Greenfield Airport, the fourth international airport of the State, coming up at Mattanur.

Ashada hundi collection at Chamundeshwari Temple touches Rs. 1.74 crore

Total temple income from April to July 2017 stands at Rs. 11,08,37,469

	HUNDI COLLECTION	TEMPLE INCOME	TOTAL TEMPLE INCOME
April to July 2015	Rs. 1,62,92,707	Rs. 4,35,29,205	Rs. 5,98,21,912
April to July 2016	Rs. 3,51,39,248	Rs. 4,35,08,507	Rs. 7,86,47,755
April to July 2017	Rs. 3,86,30,365	Rs. 7,22,07,104	Rs. 11,08,37,469

Mysuru, July 28 (MTY&BCT)- After a record entry ticket collection of Rs. 1,03,83,030 during the four Ashada Shukravaras (Fridays) and Chamundeshwari Vardhanti (birthday of Goddess Chamundeshwari) this year, the Chamundeshwari Temple atop the Chamundi Hill has recorded an Ashada hundi collection of Rs. 1,74,32,412.

The hundis were counted on July 26 and 27. Interestingly, the hundi collection this year is higher than that of the revenue collected in 2016 and 2015. This year, between April and July, the temple's hundi collection stood at Rs. 3,86,30,365 while the temple income that is gained from various pujas and offerings stood at Rs. 7,22,07,104 taking the total income to Rs. 11,08,37,469.

In 2016, the earnings between April and July stood at Rs. 7,86,47,755 including the hundi collection of Rs. 3,51,39,248 and temple income of Rs. 4,35,08,507. In 2015, the total temple income from April to July stood at Rs. 5,98,21,912 while the hundi collection was recorded at 1,62,92,707. The temple income stood at Rs. 4,35,29,205.

It may be recalled here that the temple collected Rs. 1,03,83,030 by selling entry tickets worth Rs. 50 and 300 during the four Ashada Fridays and Chamundeshwari Vardhanti this year surpassing the 2016 collection of Rs. 38,73,300 and 2015 entry ticket collection of Rs. 29,67,550.

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By-election to four Assembly seats on August 23

New Delhi, July 28 - The Election Commission yesterday announced by-elections to four Assembly seats, including Panaji, from where Goa Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar is likely to contest.

The by-elections in Bawana (Delhi), Panaji and Valpoi (Goa) and Nandyal (Andhra Pradesh) will be held on August 23. The notification for the by-elections would be issued on July 29, beginning the nomination process.

While August 5 is the last date of filing nominations, August 9 is the last date of withdrawing from the electoral battle, an EC statement said. The counting will take place on August 28.

The Bawana seat was vacated after AAP MLA Ved Prakash had resigned to join the BJP. Parrikar had represented the Panaji Assembly seat in the Goa Assembly till he was appointed Defence Minister in the Modi government.

With Parrikar becoming the CM again after the recent Assembly polls, he should become an MLA within six months of taking oath. Siddharth Kuncalienkar (BJP) had recently resigned from the Panaji seat to make way for Parrikar's election as MLA.

Parrikar continues to be a Rajya Sabha member. The by-poll to Valpoi seat in Goa was necessitated after sitting Congress MLA Vishwajeet Rane had resigned to join BJP. The by-poll to the Nandyal seat is taking place as the sitting MLA from TDP had passed away following a cardiac arrest.

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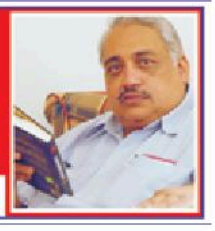

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Forced Patriotism Falls Flat!

While on a holiday with my family last week I was in Mumbai for three days. It was raining the proverbial 'cats and dogs' while we were there which is not very surprising when you consider the fact that Mumbai reportedly gets nearly ninety percent of its annual rainfall of about seventy inches in the month of July alone. This is the time of the year when Mumbai, the city that never sleeps becomes groggy and is said to become most miserable with normal life coming to a standstill because of crippled road and rail traffic. But all this may soon become a thing of the past with the high-perched monorail already functioning in some areas and the underground Mumbai Metro all set to be commissioned soon.

It may come as a surprise to you that there are many areas in the innards of the city which lie below sea level. Actually it is only these very low lying areas that suffer the most when it rains heavily there. The problems created by unusually heavy rain are compounded by high tides which prevent the rainwater from quickly flowing away into the sea. **That is why most schools in low lying areas of the city issue printouts of the tidal charts to their students and instruct parents to check them before sending them to school on rainy days.**

But Mumbaikars have evolved so well with their city that irrespective of whether it is rain or shine over their heads, they just quickly get down from one mode of transport when it stops and hop onto another that is still moving and go about their daily grind without complaining of the weather! **But to me Mumbai seemed to be at its cleanest and best last week with all its buildings, roads and pavements washed spick and span by the unseen hand of God in a way that can never be achieved by the hand of man.**

On one afternoon, while having taken shelter from the rain in the foyer of a mall, with nothing else to do, we decided to watch a movie that was running in the Multiplex there. My son opted out of this plan and announced that he would visit one of his friends while the three of us were done with the movie. But this spur-of-the-moment decision had some very unusual side effects. Because the movie was about to start and because we had not booked our tickets in advance we were told that the three of us would only get seats in three different rows! Since we had by now imbibed a little bit of the die-hard Mumbaikars' aplomb we decided to go ahead with the offer. But secretly, all three of us perhaps had our own reasons for the acceptance of this rather unusual situation.

My daughter had already seen the movie once in Mysuru and she wanted to savour it a second time without the concentration needed to follow the storyline. Yes, there's a different kind of joy in watching a good movie or reading a good book the second time! Since she had already discussed it inside out with my wife, my better half was fore-armed with all the introduction she needed to relish the movie. **Most importantly, by not having me next to her, my wife would now be free from the frequent pestering from a husband who ill understands modern day movie script. Yes, my mind is programmed to follow only logical sequences and I like a simple straight-forward storyline. I therefore find it a great and almost unbearable pain to follow the story when it shuttles rapidly from the past to the present and from the present to the past in a seemingly unending sequence. And, most present day movies are like this as this seems to be the forte of movie-makers now which is the main reason why I'm not a movie buff.**

Now, my reason for agreeing to sit alone through the entire movie was that I would not have to share with anyone my tub of caramel pop corn which is my favourite flavour and which I get to eat only at multiplexes these days! Incidentally the multiplex experience that we have here in Mysuru and Bengaluru too is a far cry from what we had at Mumbai. The cleanliness, the comfort of the seats, the sound quality and the acoustics were a class apart for the same money that you pay there too. As we entered the almost empty hall and occupied our far-flung seats there were hardly a dozen or so people there which seemed rather strange considering the fact that we were told by the lady in the booking cabin that ours were the last few tickets available. As I was wondering where the rest of the people were, the fluttering tricolour appeared on the screen and we all stood up while the National Anthem was played. The moment it ended the crowd that was hitherto out of sight, gushed into the auditorium like a Tsunami with people spilling over each other to find their seats. Suddenly everything became painfully crystal clear.

The regular movie-goers were waiting outside in the refreshment foyer for the National Anthem to be over before getting into the hall to watch the movie which is why they had all come there. The National Anthem was something that was forced upon them which they could easily avoid if they chose to by staying outside the auditorium. They could use the same time for catching up on some additional gossip and gup-shup that was more enjoyable than standing uncomfortably at attention while a song that had by now become monotonous and meaningless was played!

Looking at the vast majority that stayed away from the National anthem it seemed to me that for most of our countrymen, patriotism which should come as an inborn sentiment, comes only with some effort, not their own but by the efforts of an enforcing agency that struggles in vain to force it down our throats making a mockery of this emotion. I wonder why our government and our courts had to inflict this disrespect on our national symbol and song by making it a mandatory ritual for movie-goers when most of them had rejected it decades ago.

Let better sense prevail and let our leaders lead by noble example. Let them begin instilling a sense of national pride in the masses by themselves practising absolute honesty and uprightness in their own lives instead of only preaching it with symbolic compulsion. **Patriotism becomes a tasteless morsel and it falls flat when it is forced as a necessary virtue upon a people who are used to seeing only vice feeding the bellies of its leaders!**

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MGP to take up cases of student-victims of KSOU

To approach PM's Office to set up a Commission

Mysuru, July 28- The report of Justice K. Bhakthavatsala shows that students who were admitted to MPhil, PhD, BE, BTech, MTech, Diploma in Engineering and other technical professional programmes of the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) are facing severe problems since the degrees are not recognised.

Despite warnings from the Distance Education Council way back in 2011, KSOU did not stop conducting courses and awarding degrees. There have also been media reports highlighting the problems of students who have taken other certificate courses outside Karnataka.

Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP), being a consumer protection organisation, is exploring ways to help students who have suffered due to lapses of KSOU, said a press release from MGP Secretary Shenoi, which stated that in the past too, MGP had helped many students of unrecognised courses to get redressal.

In one sad example, a brother and sister duo had completed courses from Regional Institute of Education (RIE) and could not get jobs since the courses were unrecognised. MGP helped their father to file a case before the Consumer Court. He won at the District Forum and then the State Consumer Redressal Commission and the National Consumer Redressal Commission when the Institute went on an appeal. When the next appeal was before the Supreme Court, the father died and the case was not pursued further, the release said.

In the present case involving the KSOU, the number of students suffering is enormous. To avoid long delays through the judicial system, MGP is planning to approach the PM's Office with a request to set up a Commission to help find a speedy solution to the suffering students.

Student-victims may contact MGP on email: *mygrapa@gmail.com* or over Ph: 2515150.

Panel to look into fake marks card racket

Doubts about the Committee

as both VC and Registrar on leave

Mysuru, July 28- KSOU has constituted a 12-member teachers' committee to look into admission, marks card printing, valuation, coding and decoding, custodians of confidential papers and convocation. In an agreement with a Mumbai-based company IEM the work was entrusted to them in 2013. However, nearly 60,000 to 70,000 marks cards printed by them has been cancelled as it carried a lot of mistakes. All of them have been recovered.

To look into the discrepancies, the committee has been set up, said the KSOU Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. Rangaswamy. Since the KSOU marks card racket has come to light with the arrest of five persons and three others from KSOU taken into custody, the issue has taken a serious turn. However, to set up a committee belonging to the same institution, has raised many eyebrows.

Also, the permission of the KSOU Management Board has not been taken and added to this, the Registrar of the Open University is on leave. The whole process of setting up the committee in his absence has led to a lot of suspicion.

One more reason to raise doubts is that even the KSOU VC Prof. D. Shivalingaiah has proceeded on long leave.

KSOU students threaten stir

Mysuru, July 28 (SP&NNN)- Even as the KSOU fake marks card racket is making news, the aggrieved students of the same institution are up in arms threatening to launch an agitation if the recognition to the University is not restored immediately.

It may be recalled that the recognition to the KSOU had been withdrawn since the last four years. The aggrieved students, addressing a press conference, at Patrakartara Bhavan, here yesterday said that in spite of the de-recognition, the University had not made any effort to renew the recognition, which has landed lakhs of students in trouble.

The students had opted for different courses offered by the KSOU and in this even Government servants are students. Those who have written the competitive examinations are also students of this institution. However, as the UGC has de-recognised the courses, the students are in deep trouble.

The students demanded the intervention of the State and the Central Governments to solve their problems. Students Narayanraj, R. Phaneesh, Mahendra and Pramod were present at the press meet.

State to get 6 Women Entrepreneurs' Park

A group photo of industrialists, who were felicitated in city yesterday, seen with Additional Chief Secretary K. Ratna Prabha, FKCCI Vice-President Sudhakar S. Shetty and others.

Mysuru, July 28 (MTY&NNN)- The women entrepreneurs are being given a lot of encouragement and six Women Entrepreneurs' Park will be set up in the State, said Additional Chief Secretary K. Ratna Prabha.

She was speaking after inaugurating the Women Industry and Business Empowerment (WIBE) Institution and Training camp for women at Hotel Pai Vista, here yesterday and said, "These days more importance is given in the State to set up industries. The industrialists are being encouraged. As a result there is a sound atmosphere for the development of industries."

"Earlier there were problems in the Industrial Policy. There were demands for bringing changes in the Policy. The Policy in the State had put the SC/ST, women and general category under the same umbrella, and all treated on par. As a result, the industrialists/entrepreneurs belonging to Backward Classes, women and weaker section of the society were facing problems. Realising this, the Government has introduced a new policy so that everyone is benefited," she said and added "This has helped women to participate in industrial development."

There is a huge demand separately for Women Entrepreneurs' Park and 50 acres have been identified in Himmavu and Adakanahalli Industrial area. Since the demand is increasing, we are thinking of identifying 100 acres of land, she said.

On this occasion, Mysore Industries Association Secretary Suresh Kumar Jain, Deepak Tools Heat Treatment's Subramanyam, S. Vima Rubber Company's Manjunath, Rajamane Soma Indotronics' Sreeshaila Ramannavar, Supreme Public School President M.L. Ravindra Swamy, Entel Cad Engineering's N. Satish, Chowdeshwari Trading's C.K. Ganesh, Kove President Roopa Rani and FKCCI Joint Secretary Latha Girish were felicitated.

FKCCI Vice-President Sudhakar S. Shetty, Lead Bank Manager K.N. Shivalingaiah, KSFC Deputy General Manager Srinivasappa, KIADB Develop Officer Shivakumar, SIDBI Manager S.T. Hemanth. MCCI President A.S. Satish, WIBE President Gayathri Keshav Rao, Vice-President Asha Manjunath, Secretary Anupama Urs, Joint Secretary Rachana Mahesh, Treasurer Vanajakshi Shekar, Chief Convenor D.S. Sudhamani, Directors Kavitha, Chandrika and District Industries Centre Joint Secretary H. Ramakrishne Gowda were present.

Skill training for youth at RUDSET Institute

Mysuru, July 28- RUDSET Institute, Mysuru, will conduct the following training programmes during August 2017 for the youth in the age group of 18 to 45 years on residential basis:

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By K.B. Ganapathy

News that drove me back to Bombay

Is it possible to live and die like Krishna Raj?!

As a journalist my academic diet has been newspapers. Missing a day's newspaper (not TV or Radio) is like missing a day's meal. Of the many news, sometimes some news items tend to evoke memories of the past with such emotion and nostalgia I get lost in a mystical reverie. Such a news I read on 25th of this month and it related to *EPW — Economic and Political Weekly*, published from Mumbai. It made news because of the abrupt exit of its Editor Paranjoy Guha Thakurta.

Paradoxically, it was not so much the (forced) resignation of Thakurta that made news as the protest expressed by 150 academics urging the owners of the *EPW,* the Trustees of the Sameeksha Trust, to remember their accountability to *EPW's* contributors and readers.

Be that as it may, memories came rushing to my mind of those few months I worked for *EW (Economic Weekly),* the change to *EPW* came later as its second *avatar.* In the early 1970s, I worked as a Sub-Editor-cum-Proof-Reader-cum-Page-Make-up-man, along with my close friend **Colin D'Souza,** who was a permanent employee there in the same position. Like most of the offices, it was housed in an old Colonial building, a space of a single room, walkway, dark when no light even during day, at Hitkari House somewhere in the Fort area near Colaba where I stayed.

The iconic, legendary Editor-Founder of *EW* was one **Sachin Chaudhuri,** a man of many parts — market reporter, film critic, editorial writer for Sunday magazine etc. — but more importantly an academic considered an intellectual and an economics brain. It is not surprising, therefore, he set up the publication of *EW* in 1949 taking it to great heights as a magazine of research and scholarship with many academicians contributing to it. His fame as an economist had already spread across India so much so the economic planners at Delhi often took a peek into what was published in *EW.*

I remember, my friend Colin telling me that one morning

Korekattu Nattamkandath Krishna Raj
18.10.1937 — 17.1.2004

his Editor began getting telephone calls congratulating him for being made the Union Finance Minister, when in fact it was someone else of the same name. His friends heard the news on Radio (no TVs those days) and concluded wrongly!

He died in 1966 and was succeeded by Prof. R.K. Hazari, an economist. He made big news for those days of ***'Licence-Permit Raj'*** by what was known as 'Hazari Report,' if my memory serves me right. The Government of India had appointed him to study the procedure related to issuing of licences to start industries, the regulations on the volume of production etc. It was a sensational report for those days when he exposed the 'foreclosing of licences' by a few industrial houses to the denial and exclusion of other aspirants. Prof. Hazari soon became the Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in 1969.

When Hazari visited *EW* office as Deputy Governor of the RBI, my friend Colin took me to his office to meet the great man. He was like a child — explaining to a few of us there how he was wonder-struck looking at his huge office, huge table, an array of multi-coloured telephones, the sofas etc., etc.

Krishna Raj, an Assistant Editor, who had joined *EW* two years after passing out of the Delhi School of Economics, became a natural choice for the Editor's post. I worked for a few months during his period. A commoner in looks, with faded pockmarks on his visage, simply dressed in a half-sleeve light-coloured bush coat, pants and chappals. Very reticent, chair-bound, always focused on some manuscript. Colourless person but allowed a couple of editorial staff to work with freedom. Gentle and soft-spoken, whenever he spoke, that is!

It was during this brief stint of mine in this *EW* office that I came to see the legendary journalist of Bombay of those days, from the famous stable of *The Times of India,* **M.V. Kamath.** He was married to a white lady, the baggage he got as a result of working as Foreign Correspondent of *PTI* and later Washington Correspondent of *The Times of India,* the grand-old-lady of Bori Bunder, as we journalists used to call *TOI.*

Kamath had just then come back and was made the editor of *The Sunday Times.* He later became the Editor of *The Illustrated Weekly of India*, now defunct. He used to come to *EW* office in the forenoon, type out his column called *'From Here and There'* for the week and go. Unlike Krishna Raj, Kamath would liven-up the atmosphere with his pep-talk and a gentle smile spread across his moon-like face. What I found in both these journalists was that both were workaholics — work, work, work. In fact, a case of talk less, work more.

Krishna Raj, hailing from Kerala and studying in Delhi, had the Leftist leanings commonly found among those coming from Kerala and Delhi Universities. As today, then also these Leftists were considered as "Intellectuals!" To be different from the ordinary mortals who keep their names with all its glory and length proudly, Krishna Raj jettisoned the prefixes to his name "Korekattu Nattamkandath," usually abbreviated to initials KN. He was simply Krishna Raj. I loved his name, not so much the man. But he was a good man, scholar, no doubt. I think Hazari made him the Director of Dena Bank, if my memory does not cheat me. Let it be.

What, however, intrigues me is the way Krishna Raj got married and the way he died. Both happened in an unobtrusive, quiet manner. As if it mattered only to him alone and none else. **If someone were to ask me, Show me a genuine, authentic Saint, a Rishi?, I would without hesitation name Krishna Raj. The man who lived as he believed.** He did not bother when someone did not quite agree with his idea of life and work.

He married his Delhi classmate Maithreyi on a working day, going through a brief civil ceremony in a friend's house in the morning, and returned to the office. Of course, a little late. His friend, who was one of the witnesses to the marriage, said that even his boss, the Editor of *EW*, did not know that Krishna Raj had come to office, after his marriage held four hours earlier!

And about his death? A man, despite being an introvert of sorts, found his relaxing moments in liquor or in the company of children. **Indeed an unconventional journalist and an uncommon common man.**

He was a regular visitor to his son and daughter-in-law in San Francisco, USA, according to *Frontline.* On the morning of January 15, 2004, he returned after six-week sojourn in the US. He, as was his wont, returned to work the next morning. Returned home late night. His colleague spoke to him and his wife that night. "He then went to bed, never to wake up."

Transient peace in Life, Eternal peace in Death.

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Obituary

Mahalakshmamma

Mysuru, July 28- Mahalakshmamma (73), wife of Srikantaiah, former Director of Mysore Merchant Co-operative Bank and former President of Arya Samaja, Mysuru, passed away at a private hospital this morning following brief illness.

She leaves behind her husband, three sons, a daughter and host of relatives and friends.

Her body will be kept at her residence located at 1st Cross, Anikethana Road, Kuvempunagar, between 3 pm and 6 pm. Last rites will be held at the burial ground in Kuvempunagar today.

Kousalya Devi passes away

Mysuru, July 28- Kousalya Devi (94), wife of late K. Rangaraja Urs and a native of Kogiluru near Ravanduru in K.R. Nagar taluk, passed away yesterday evening, at a private hospital in city. She leaves behind her son R. Raja Chandra, daughters Nalini Urs and Prof. Shalini Urs and a host of relatives and friends.

Her body was kept at her daughter's residence on Theobald Road in Nazarbad this morning and later taken to her native place Kogiluru, where the last rites were performed.

Raja Chandra is the husband of Indrakshi Devi, daughter of late Maharaja Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar and brother-in-law of late Srikanta Datta Narasimharaja Wadiyar.

JD(S) stir for water enters fifth day

Mysuru, July 28(RKB&DM)- The indefinite stir by JD(S) seeking release of water from Harangi Dam to canals, in front of Cauvery CADA Office on Sayyaji Rao road in city, entered the fifth day today with farmers staging a semi-nude demonstration.

KR Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh said that State JD(S) President H.D. Kumaraswamy had asked them to wait for the outcome of the CM's meeting with officials on the issue at Bengaluru tomorrow.

DC inspects Kukkarahalli Lake

Mysuru, July 28 (RK, MTY &NNN)- Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep and Corporation Commissioner G. Jagadeesha visited the Kukkarahalli Lake, here this morning and inspected the ongoing works.

There are 13 inlets into the lake that have been blocked because of the wild growth of shrubs. The environmentalists and the morning walkers, who accompanied the DC and the Commissioner, pointed out that the UGD water is flowing into the lake, leading to its pollution.

The MCC has taken up the clearing of the growth, said the DC and added that he has instructed the Kukkarahalli Lake Expert Committee to submit a pre-feasibility report within a week regarding setting up of a Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at Kukkarahalli Lake and installing a 7.5 km pipeline to draw sewage water from Hebbal Industrial Area and surrounding areas to be treated at Kukkarahalli STP.

Later, the DC inspected the Physics Department where the inlet is blocked and asked the Executive Engineer Kishore Chandra and Assistant Executive Engineer Shivalinga Prasad to get blocked inlet cleared at the earliest.

He also inspected the Kudaremala canal near the Fine Arts College bridge on Bogadi Road and said that efforts are on to clear the blocked canal so that the water can be released into the lake.

The Tourism Department had released Rs. 3 crore for the beautification of Kukkarahalli Lake out of which Rs 1.35 crore is used for fencing and construction of toilets for the walkers and the general public, said the DC.

The Lake Expert Committee members U.N. Ravikumar, KSPCB Environment Secretary Geetha, MCC Superintending Engineer Suresh Babu and others were present.

DC visits malls: Later, DC Randeep and Tahsildar C. Ramesh Babu visited the new multiplexes coming up at Metagalli and near the Police Academy at Nazarbad. They found the entry and the exit at the Metagalli mall narrow and asked the builders to increase the width and also make the parking space broader.

Nitish Kumar wins trust vote

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"Secularism can't mask corruption," Nitish Kumar said in the Assembly, adding, "These are arrogant people. Political parties get a mandate in elections to serve the people...the people were fed-up." His former partners the RJD and Congress say their alliance got a massive mandate in the Assembly elections on an anti-BJP plank and so Kumar's decision to partner with the BJP is unethical.

Lalu Yadav's son Tejashwi Yadav, now Leader of Opposition, spoke for 40 minutes, attacking his former boss saying, "*Aapko sharam nahin aayi*? (Aren't you ashamed?)." The 28-year-old, who was Nitish Kumar's deputy, accused Kumar and the BJP of "opportunism."

This morning the RJD moved court challenging the appointment of Nitish Kumar as Chief Minister. The court admitted the petition but refused to stop the trust vote, saying it would hear the case on Monday.

Pakistan SC disqualifies PM Nawaz Sharif

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Watching the courtroom drama was the country's powerful military, which has traditionally decided the fate of civilian governments. There had been hushed speculation that the court, in coming to its decision, had the tacit, if not overt, backing of powerful generals.

The charges against Sharif and three of his children — two sons and a daughter — stemmed from disclosures last year in the Panama Papers, which revealed that the children owned expensive residential property in London through a string of offshore companies. In their ruling, the justices also ordered the opening of criminal investigations against the Sharif family.

Imran Khan, the opposition politician who has been spearheading the campaign against Sharif since he took power in 2013, stands to gain the most politically from the removal of Sharif. Khan has doggedly and almost obsessively led the charge against Sharif and rallied a wide swath of the public against him through a mix of street agitation and court petitions.

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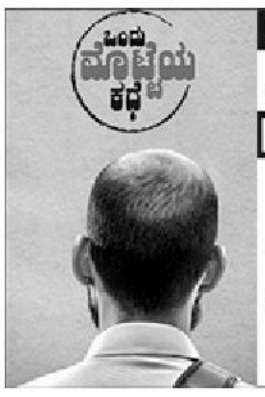

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City celebrates Kargil Vijay Diwas

Students presenting a dance for a patriotic song during the Kargil Vijay Diwas celebrations organised by Military Veterans' Association at Kalamandira on July 26 evening. Picture right shows Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep along with the members of Military Veterans' Association and military personnel at the celebrations.

Mysuru, July 28 - The **Military Veterans Welfare Association,** Mysuru, celebrated Kargil Vijay Diwas at Kalamandira in city on July 26 by paying homage to the martyrs who laid down their lives during the Kargil War in 1999.

The programme was inaugurated by Deputy Commissioner (DC) D. Randeep.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that everyone should work to make India, a developed country.

If the country is strong internally it can grow as a strongest nation in the world, he added. There will be several attempts by the enemies to divide the country and it is important for us to stay united to fight these anti-social elements, he said.

The programme was attended by military veterans, NCC cadets from various educational institutions and the general public.

A painting expo on martyrs and valiant war heroes who were awarded bravery medals was also held at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira. Association President Brig. (retd) Vinod Kumar Adappa, Lakshman, Sridhar and others were present.

City BJP Yuva Morcha had organised Kargil Vijay Diwas celebration at Veera Madakari Nayaka Circle at Kyathamaranahalli. Speaking on the occasion, State BJP Yuva Morcha General Secretary Tejaswi Soorya said that it was regretful to note that officials and the Police were facing professional insecurity.

Pointing out that the Home Department had the responsibility of providing security to citizens, Soorya claimed that the department officials themselves were facing professional insecurity due to governmental pressures, which reflects the State's Congress Government's style of functioning.

Taking exception on seeking permission from the Police for holding patriotic and nationalism programmes, Soorya said that the Police had given a conditional permission for celebrating Kargil Diwas only after MP Pratap Simha, who is in Delhi, exerted pressure on the Police.

Calling upon everyone to celebrate Kargil Vijay Diwas, he said that it was the duty of every citizen to remember the martyrs who scarified their lives for protecting our motherland.

BJP District Yuva Morcha celebrating Kargil Vijay Diwas in front of Mahatma Gandhi's bust opposite City Court Complex here.

Ex-Servicemen Raghu Acharya, Umesh, Subramanya, Rajendra, Prathap Kumar and Mahadevaiah, who were felicitated on the occasion of Kargil Vijay Diwas at a function organised by Jalapuri Nagarikara Hitharakshana Vedike near Jalapuri Police quarters in city yesterday, seen with the organisers and students.

Ex-Servicemen Sathyanarayan, Ratnakar Nayak, Rajashekar, Neelakanta Kumar, Mahadeva Nayak, Subbaraju, M. Manjunath, C.K. Chandrashekar and A.J. Harindran were felicitated on the occasion. Deputy Mayor Rathna Lakshman, Corporator B.M. Nataraj, Yuva Morcha office-bearers Somashekar, Gokul Govardhan, Sampath, Dhanraj and Satish were present.

BJP District Yuva Morcha also celebrated Kargil Vijay Diwas in front of Mahatma Gandhi's bust near the City Court Complex here. BJP District President Kote M. Shivanna, District Yuva Morcha President L.R. Mahadevaswamy, Vice President S.C. Ashok, State Slum Morcha General Secretary R. Raghu Kautilya and others were present.

Jalapuri Nagarikara Hitharakshana Vedike

Kargil Vijay Diwas was celebrated by Jalapuri Nagarikara Hitharakshana Vedike near Jalapuri Police Quarters here yesterday.

On the occasion, six Ex-Servicemen – Raghu Acharya, Umesh, Subramanya, Rajendra, Prathap Kumar and Mahadevaiah were felicitated by N.R. Constituency BJP leader H. Giridhar for their services to the country.

Giridhar spoke about the bravery of the soldiers, who fought the Kargil War in chill weather to protect the country, which led to their victory and also condoled the death of seven soldiers who sacrificed their lives while protecting the country. Later, all the ex-servicemen, who were felicitated shared their experiences.

BJP leaders, T. Ramesh, Dr. Anil Thomas, B. Anand, Manirathnam, Nagaraj, Jagadish, Shivanand Rao, Lohith, Puttaraju, Anitha, Raju, Jagadish and others were present.

44th National Women's Challengers Chess Championship

Sowmya, Bhakti in lead

WFM C. Lakshmi (TN) and WGM Bhakti Kulkarni of Air India seen in action at the on going chess championship in city, yesterday.

Mysuru, July 28- Top-seed WGM Soumya Swaminathan (PSPB) and fifth seed Bhakti Kulkarni (Air India), won their respective games on the second and top boards respectively and are jointly in lead with 7.5 points each from nine rounds at the end of the seventh day in the 44th National Women's Challengers Chess Championship organised by Mysore Chess Centre at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club here yesterday.

In the biggest upset of the day, Tamil Nadu's unseeded P. Bala Kannamma (6.5 points-rating 1977) playing a excellent middle and ending game on the fifth board with white pieces shocked the present Commonwealth Games Women's Champion and third seed in the tournament WGM Swati Ghate (LIC-rating 2278) in 64 moves.

In another upset win unseeded Andhra Pradesh player G. Sandhya (Rating 1873-6.5 points), who had scored an upset win over WIM P. Michelle Catherina (TN) in the previous round, shocked WGM Aarathie Ramaswamy (Air India-5.5 points), playing with black pieces on the eleventh board.

WGM Mary Ann Gomes (PSPB) after her 42 moves win over WFM Arpita Mukherjee (WB) in the third board, is ranked third with 7 points from nine rounds. Ten players are tied with 6.5 points and are placed from fourth to thirteenth in the rankings after the ninth round.

Playing on the top board with white pieces, over-night joint leader from Tamil Nadu, WFM C. Lakshmi (6.5 points), fought gallantly, but faltered with her end game to go down to WGM Bhakti Kulkarni (7.5 points) in 91 moves.

Bhakti Kulkarni continued her fine form in the tournament after a first round loss to come back strongly to win five games in a row and drew one and again won two games in a row to emerge as the joint leader with Soumya. Overnight joint-leader and top-seed WGM Soumya Swaminathan (7.5 points), playing with black pieces on the second board capitalised on the error made by Nandhidhaa (AAI) during the end game and registered a crucial win in 43 moves.

Fourth seeded IM Nisha Mohota (PSPB-6.5 points) scored a good win over Makhija Aashna (Mah) in the sixth board in 31 moves, while WGM Kiran Manisha Mohanty (LIC) and WGM Meenakshi Subbaraman (AI) were involved in a 64-move drawn encounter.

IMPORTANT RESULTS

9th Round: C. Lakshmi C (6.5) lost Bhakti Kulkarni (7.5), Nandhidhaa (6.5) lost Soumya Swaminathan (7.5), Mary Ann Gomes (7) bt Arpita Mukherjee (6), Kiran Manisha Mohanty (6.5) drew with Meenakshi Subbaraman (6.5), P. Bala Kannamma (6.5) bt Swati Ghate (5.5), Nisha Mohota (6.5) bt Makhija Aashna (5.5), L. Jyotsna (6.5) bt M. Mahalakshmi (5.5), Shetye Siddhali (5.5) lost Pranali S Dharia 96.5), Chitlange Sakshi 96.5) bt Kaur Palkin (5.5), Ramaswamy Aarthie (5.5) lost Sandhya G (6.5), Srija Seshadri (5.5) drew with Sanskriti Goyal (6), K.Manasa (5) lost Pujari Rucha (6), A.G. Nimmy (5) lost Ghosh Samriddhaa (6), G. Lasya (5.5) drew with V. Toshali (5.5), R. Divya Lakshmi (6) bt Archi Agarwal (5), B. Savitha Shri (4.5) lost P. Michelle Catherina (5.5).

Pro Kabaddi Season 5 kicks off today

Telugu Titans to face Tamil Thalaivas in the inaugural match

Hyderabad, July 28 - The fifth season of Pro Kabaddi is set for a blockbuster start at the Gachibowli Indoor Stadium in Hyderabad as Telugu Titans face Tamil Thalaivas and U Mumba take on Puneri Paltan later in the day.

The eagerly-awaited league is expected to scale unprecedented heights this year having expanded from eight to twelve teams, which will compete over 13 weeks in an intense battle for supremacy. Opening Day will feature two derby matches that will set the tone for the remainder of the season.

The first match of the season will see newcomers Tamil Thalaivas stepping onto the mat against Telugu Titans under the leadership of Ajay Thakur, who was the top raider during India's 2016 Kabaddi World Cup (KWC) triumph. Another player to watch out for in this contest between the two teams from the south is Amit Hooda, who will be an integral member of the debutants' defence having ended last season second on the leader board for tackle points. Other fringe players to keep an eye on this season are the highly-rated Sombir and K Prapanjan, Anil Kumar and Vijin Thangadurai, who all come with Pro Kabaddi pedigree.

Telugu Titans, on the other hand, will begin their campaign in front of their home crowd high on confidence with a squad full of household names. They will be led by the Raid Machine Rahul Chaudhari, who has been one of the most potent raiders over the past few years, consistently delivering on the mat. The Titans also have the likes of last season's break-out star Nilesh Salunke, Iran's World Cup hero Mohsen Maghsoudlou and one of India's favourite sons Rakesh Kumar in their squad.

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TODAY'S MATCHES

Telugu Titans Vs Tamil Thalaivas	**8.00 PM**
U Mumba Vs Puneri Paltan	**9.00 PM**

Venue: Gachibowli, Indoor Stadium, Hyderabad

TOMORROW'S MATCHES

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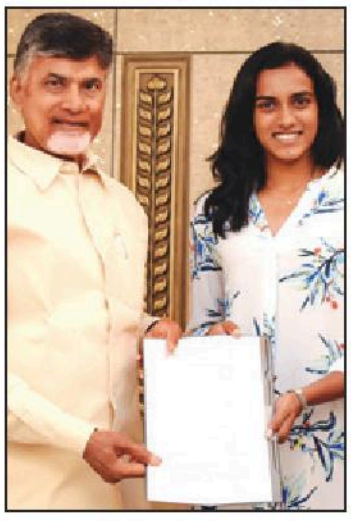

Andhra CM N. Chandrababu Naidu is seen handing over the appointment letter to P.V. Sindhu at Hyderabad yesterday.

Hyderabad, July 28- Olympics silver medallist P.V. Sindhu was appointed a Deputy Collector by the Andhra Pradesh government, yesterday.

Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu handed over the appointment letter to her at the State secretariat in the presence of her parents. Speaking on the occasion, the ace shuttler said she was happy to receive the appointment letter. She, however, said badminton would remain her first priority.

Chandrababu Naidu hoped that she would score more victories and bring laurels to the Country and the State. The State Government has asked Sindhu to join duty as Deputy Collector within 30 days.

In May, the State Legislature had passed a Bill amending the State Public Services Act to appoint Sindhu as a Group-I officer in the Government.

Following her success in the Olympics last year, CM Naidu had announced a cash reward of Rs. 3 crore, a residential plot in Amaravati and Group-I officer's job. As she was born in Hyderabad and had been living in the city, the Telangana government also presented a cash reward of Rs. 5 crore and a residential plot.

Although Telangana had also offered her a job, Sindhu accepted the offer of Andhra Pradesh, the native State of her parents.

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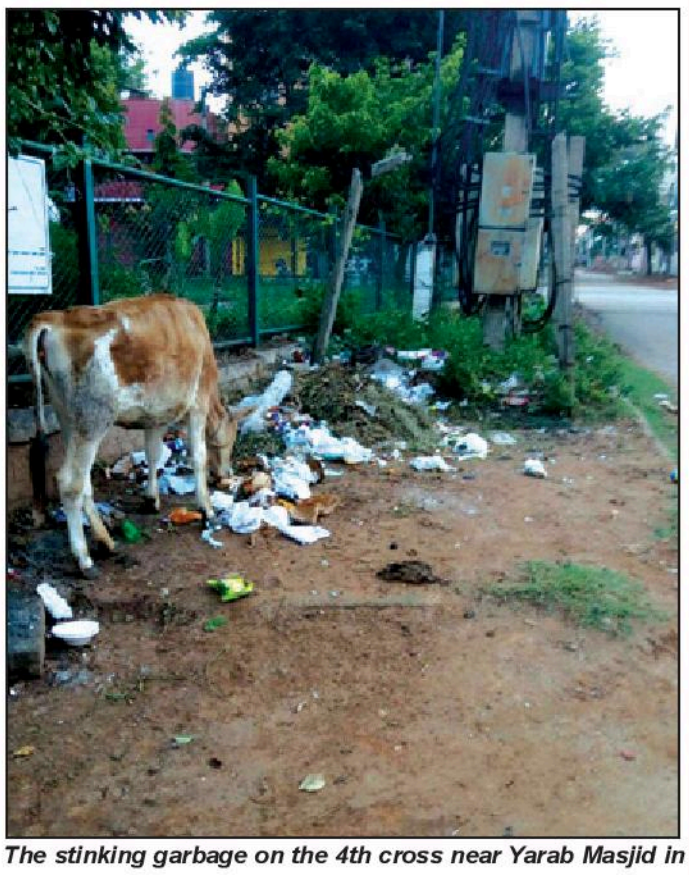
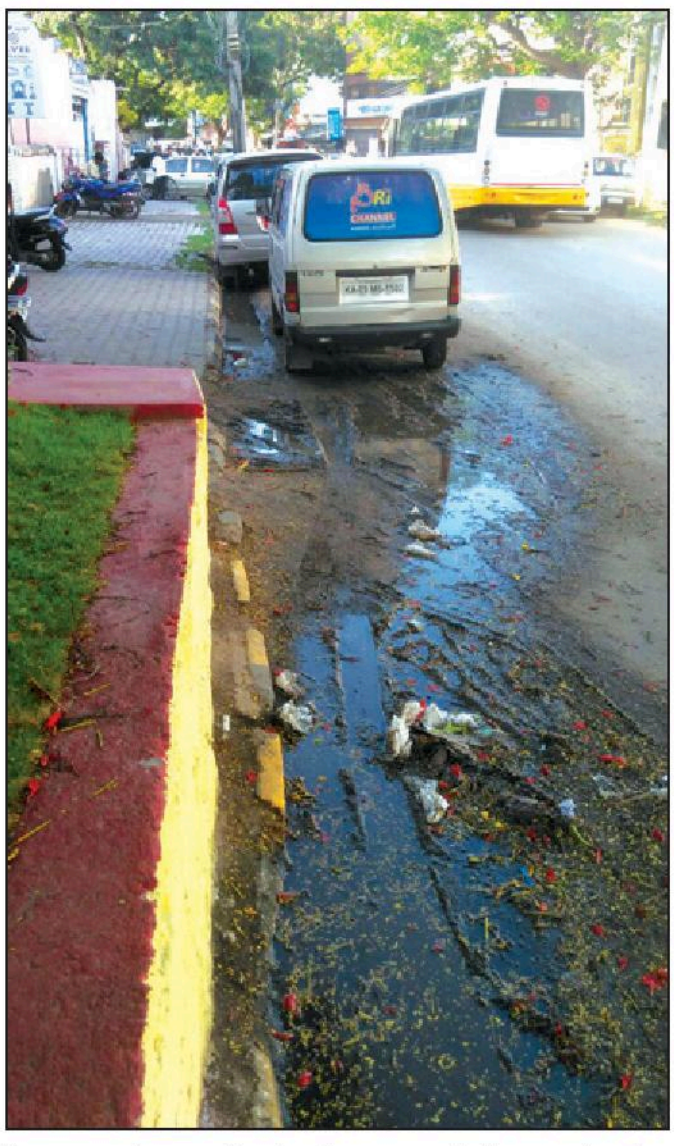


The stinking garbage on the 4th cross near Yarab Masjid in Kalyangiri is causing a lot of inconvenience to the residents who are bearing the foul smell emanating from it since a few days. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

Overflowing manhole near Agrahara Circle



Sewage water overflowing from a manhole near Agrahara Circle on New Sayyaji Rao Road is causing a lot of inconvenience to the shopkeepers and also the residents living in the surrounding. Authorities are urged to take steps to get the manhole cleaned at the earliest.

Passenger train converted to Express train

Bengaluru City-Talguppa-Bengaluru City Daily Express extended up to Mysuru

Mysuru, July 28 - The Mysuru-Bengaluru-City- Mysuru Passenger train(T. No.56234/33) has been converted into an Express Train and T.No.16227/28 Bengaluru City-Talguppa-Bengaluru City daily express has been extended up to Mysuru.

The South Western Railway has announced the following changes in the time table with effect from 28.07.2017:

T.No.56234/33 Mysuru-KSR Bengaluru City-Mysuru Passenger has been converted as Express & T.No.16227/28 KSR Bengaluru City-Talguppa- KSR Bengaluru City Express has been extended to run up to Mysuru.

Consequently, T.No.16227/28 will now be running as Mysuru -Talguppa-Mysuru Express via KSR, Bengaluru City with effect from July 28.

The abstract time table is as under:

A. T.No.16227 Mysuru-Talguppa Express via KSR Bengaluru City: Departure Mysuru: 19:45 hrs (Existing 19:10 hrs). Arrival/ Departure KSR Bengaluru City: 22:38/23:00 (Existing Arrival 22:25 hrs). Arrival/Departure: Shivamogga Town: 04:48/04:50 hrs (No change). Arrival: Talguppa: 07:15 hrs (No change)

B. T.No.16228 Talguppa-Mysuru Express via KSR Bengaluru City. Departure Talguppa: 20:15 hrs (No change). Arrival/Departure: Shivamogga Town: 22:25/22:30 hrs (No change). Arrival/Departure KSR Bengaluru City: 04:30/04:45 (Existing Arrival 05:00 hrs). Arrival: Mysuru: 07:40 hrs (Existing 08:10 hrs)

Augmentation of trains by SWR

Mysuru, July 28 - The South Western Railway has augmented the following trains with additional coach:

Train No. 56206/56205, Mysuru - Nanjangud - Mysuru Daily Passenger and Train No. 56210, Mysuru - Chamarajanagar Daily Passenger will be augmented with one additional coach with effect from July 30.

Train No. 56213/56214, Chamarajanagar - Tirupati - Chamarajanagar Daily Passenger will be augmented with one additional coach with effect from July 30 from Chamarajanagar end and July 31 from Tirupati end.

Train No. 16204/16203, Tirupati - Chennai - Tirupati Daily Express will be augmented with one additional coach with effect from July 31 from both end while Train No. 56207, Chamarajanagar - Mysuru Daily Passenger will be augmented with an additional coach from Aug.1.

The revised train composition will have 17 coaches with ten second class sleeper coaches, five second class coaches and two luggage-cum-brake van with disabled-friendly compartment, according to a press release from the Chief Public Relations Officer, SWR, Hubballi.

Solar lighting system inaugurated at Vidyavardhaka Engineering College

Mysuru, July 28 - To harness green and clean renewable energy sources, a grid-connected roof-top solar photovoltaic system has been set up at Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, Gokulam.

The solar panels can generate a power of 170kWp.

Unveiling this initiative, the College Management has made a commitment to sustainability and green campus.

The initiative was inaugurated by Gundappa Gowda, President of Vidyavardhaka Sangha.

P. Vishwanath, Secretary, S.N. Lakshminarayana, Treasurer, Dr. B. Sadashive Gowda, Principal and EEE HoD Dr. Shobha Shankar and others were present.

Floral tribute offered to former ISRO Chief in city

Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji, District Brahmin Association President D.T. Prakash, social worker K. Raghuram and others are seen offering floral tributes to the portrait of former ISRO Chairman Prof. U.R. Rao who passed away in Bengaluru on Monday, during the condolence meeting held at Srirama Mandira at Krishnamurthypuram here recently. Association Members Gopal Ram, Vikram Iyengar, Rajgopal, Jaisimha, Ranganath, M.R. Balakrishna, Srikanth Kashyap, Guruprasad, Harish, Manjunath, Puranik, Suresh and others were present.

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'Limia' and 'Guppy' fish to reduce dengue scare in city

MLA M.K. Somashekar and DC D. Randeep are seen releasing the fish species to a tank at Gandabherunda Park in Kuvempunagar this morning as Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, DHO Dr. Basavaraj, Corporator Balasubramanaya (Snake Shyam), and others look on.

Mysuru, July 28 (RKB&DM)- MLA M.K. Somashekar launched a demonstration and awareness programme on dengue eradication, organised by 'Swachcha Karnataka - Arogya Karnataka' at Gandabherunda Park next to Jayamma Govindegowda Kalyanamantap on Udayaravi Road in Kuvempungar this morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Somashekar said mosquito menace was the main cause for the spread of dengue and it has been found that 'Limia' and 'Guppy' species of fish consume mosquito larvae, thus reducing the menace.

Underlining the need for the rearing of these two fish species in every household, Somashekar said the fish can be reared in tubs and small tanks also.

Suggesting the authorities to rear these two fish species at fountains installed in circles across the city, the MLA said the MCC and the health department were taking all necessary steps for ending the menace.

Pointing out that the MCC has taken up fogging in a bid to contain mosquito menace, the MLA called for the co-operation of all associations and organisations for the eradication of dengue.

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep said that the District administration, MCC and Health Department were working in tandem to put an end to the disease.

Highlighting the need for sensitizing the people on the preventive measures to be taken to control the spread of the disease, the DC said it was important that all stake-holders worked with perfect co-ordination.

'Swachcha Karnataka - Arogya Karnataka' pioneer Dr. V.S. Somashekar Gowda presented a demonstration on rearing of 'Limia' and 'Guppy' species of fish in tubs and water tanks.

Former MUDA Comr. N. Jayaram is KIADB EO

Bengaluru, July 28(KMS)- The State Government transferred 9 IAS officers and one KAS officer yesterday.

As per the transfer order, Belagavi DC **N. Jayaram**, who had earlier served as MUDA Commissioner in Mysuru has been posted as Executive Officer (EO) of Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB) in Bengaluru.

In other postings, V. Ponnuraj has been appointed as MD of BMTC in Bengaluru, V. Chaitra as Commissioner, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer affairs department and Vasireddy Vijaya Jyotsana as DC, Chitradurga.

Senior KAS officer P.N. Ravinda has been appointed as CEO of Chitradurga ZP.

Ph.D awardee

Mysuru, July 28- **N. Nirmala** has been awarded Ph.D in Business Administration by the UoM for her thesis 'Employee Retention Strategies: A Comparative Study of Select Manufacturing and IT Firms' submitted under the guidance of Dr. C. Sumanagala.

Young Indians start 'Wall of Kindness' in city

Mysuru, July 28 (SP&VNS)- In an effort to provide the needy and the homeless with basic amenities such as clothes, slippers, blankets, books and others, the Mysuru Chapter of Young Indians (Yi) established 'Wall of Kindness' at the Dasappa Circle near Mandovi Motors this morning.

Inaugurating the Wall, both Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha said that it was good project taken up by the organisation to help those who are in need.

They also promised to the install CCTV cameras at the place to avoid theft and also said that they would allot places at various junctions in the city for Young Indians to come out with similar projects.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Yi Mysuru Chair Akshara Kumar said that the project was aimed to help the needy, create positive impact on society and to instil compassion and sharing among the citizens.

She added that Yi Mysuru would also want to establish similar walls in residential areas, colleges, slums and near corporate companies in future.

People can visit the place and leave their old clothes, slippers, shoes and other materials. Those who are in need can take materials they need.

The Wall of Kindness is open 24 hours throughout the year. Corporator Nandeesh Preetham, Yi Co-Chair Ravi, members Bharath, Nidhi Shah, Prathiba Nayak, Vinay, Chaitra, MCC Superintending Engineer Suresh Babu and others were present.

Instil ethics, values from childhood: NLSUI VC

National Law School of India University (NLSUI) Vice-Chancellor Prof. R. Venkat Rao is seen offering floral tributes to the portrait of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar in city yesterday as Acting UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dayanand Mane, Registrar D. Bharathi and Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. J. Somashekar look on.

Mysuru, July 28 (RKB&NNN)- The University of Mysore founded 102 years ago by Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar has today attracted global attention. The founders had focused on ethics and values when they set up the institution of higher learning, said National Law School of India University (NLSUI) Vice-Chancellor Prof. R. Venkat Rao.

He was delivering the 102nd Foundation Day Lecture, on the topic "Importance of values and ethics in higher education," organised by the University of Mysore, here yesterday at the Crawford Hall. He said that if children are taught from childhood the importance of values and ethics, they will grow into good human beings who will be an asset to the society.

"Every parent wants his or her child to make a difference to the society after finishing school and this is possible only with value-added education. Education is not only information but helps in one to become a complete human being," he said.

According to Prof. Rao, 3Ms have been controlling human beings. If it was 'muscle' power that controlled man in the beginning of mankind, later it was money power and in the 21st Century it is the 'mind' power that controls.

A qualified person is measured by his integrity, honesty, ethics and values that he holds on to which will help him become a thorough professional, he said.

"We can be called a developed nation only when everyone develops. If this has to be achieved then the values and ethics have to be instilled in the youth. Looking at the youth today, there is no doubt they have great potential to take the country forward but to do this they have to be nurtured properly," said Prof. Rao.

Acting Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dayanand Mane regretted that corruption, which was confined to politics is now entering education field too. However, he recalled the contributions of the teaching and non-teaching staff in the development of the University in the last 100 years.

Registrar D. Bharathi and Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. G. Somashekar were present.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kireeta	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Vismaya	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Ondu Motteya Kathe	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Dhairyam	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Aa Eradu Varshagalu	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Raajakumara	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Operation Alamelamma	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Toss	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
Vaishnavi	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
HINDI			
Mubarakan	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Sorry Teacher	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Nibunan	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Vikram Vedha	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
TELUGU			
Goutham Nanda	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
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Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets (E-3D)

	(S-1)	11 am, 4.15 pm, 7.00, 9.45
Lipstick Under My Burka (H)	(S-1)	1.45 pm
Aa Eradu Varshagalu (K)	(S-2)	10.40 am
Vismaya (K)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Dunkirk (E)	(S-2)	3.25 pm, 5.25 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Ondu Motteya Kathe (K)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
Gowtham Nanda (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Operation Alamelamma (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am
Indu Sarkar (H)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Nibunan (Ta)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Mubarakan (H)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am, 9.50 pm
Vikram Vedha (Ta)	(S-4)	1.55 pm
Raag Desh (H)	(S-4)	4.45 pm
Fidaa (Te)	(S-4)	7.15 pm

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Mubarakan (H)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 1.00 pm 6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
Indu Sarkar (H)	(S-2)	10.50 am; (S-3) 6.40 pm
Spiderman Homecoming (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.05 pm
Gowtham Nanda (Te)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 3.35 pm
Dunkirk (E)	(S-2)	1.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Aa Eradu Varshagalu (K)	(S-4)	7.15 pm
Vismaya (K)	(S-4)	4.35 pm
Kireeta (K)	(S-4)	10.35 am
Fidaa (Te)	(S-2)	6.50 pm
Vikram Vedha (Ta)	(S-2)	3.55 pm; (S-3) 9.30 pm
Alamelamma (K)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Ondu Motteya Kathe (K)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Lipstick Under My Burkha (H)	(S-3)	1.05 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON SATURDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Bhavageete, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.30 Kannada Film Songs, 12.00 noon Hindi Film Songs, 12.30 Makkala Mantapa, 1.00 Devotional Songs, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Film Songs, 3.30 Folk Songs, 5.00 Film Songs, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 7.45 Samachara Darshana, 9.16 Nimma Pathra, 9.30 National Music Programme.

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 28)

Art Expo: Nature painting expo with the theme 'Kukkarahalli Kereya Sutta' by artist Shivakumar H. Doddarasinakere, Kukkarahalli Lake premises, near peepal tree, **up to 6.30 pm.**

CO-OPTEX (Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society Ltd.): Exhibition of Silk Kora Cotton and Cotton Sarees, Co-optex Showroom, Narayana Shastry Road, **up to 8 pm.**

JSS Mysore Urban Haat: Vastra Utsav, Urban Haat premises, Plot No. 432, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **up to 9 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft: Shopping Festival-2017, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt: 38th Chaturmasya Vratam of Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt Pontiff Sri Vidyesha Teertha Swamiji, 'Harinama Sankeerthana' by Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Discourse, Sri Vitthaladhama, J.P. Nagar, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Vijayadhwani Pratishtana - Cultural Institute and Kannada & Culture Department: 'Sugama Sangeetha Sourabha,' Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar inaugurates, Raaga Samvardhini Music School and Women's Institute President Anasuya Sudarshan presides, Nesara Foundation President Rajesh Bore, Sugama Sangeetha artist Sugandhamma Jayappa Honnalli and Ninad Musical Trust President Prasanna Kumar chief guests, background music by Madhura Jyoti Kalathanda President Balakrishna and troupe, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5 pm.**

Department of Water and Health and Health System Management Studies of JSS University: Valedictory of International Conference on 'Environment, Health and Policy Nexus,' Dr. A.N. Yellapa Reddy, former Secretary, Department of Environmental Science, chief guest, JSS Medical College premises, **5 pm.**

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch: Shravana month, Mass prayers, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Gubbi Mallannaarya's Veerashaivamrutha Purana' by Dr. K. Anantharamu, Vaachana by Dr. K. Ramachandra, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru: Vishnu Sahasranama chanting daily, **6 pm;** Jnana Yajna discourse on Mukunda Mala in Kannada by Pujya Swami Krutatmanandaji, Shivananda Jnanalaya, JLB Road, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Hindushtani Music Concert by **Pt. Indudhar Nirody,** vocal accompaniment by Pandith Veerabhadraiah Hiremath, on harmonium by Pandith Sriram Bhat and tabla by Pandith Ramesh Dhannur, Ganabharathi premises, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Andal Mandiram Trust, V.V. Mohalla: Bhajans by Suprabhata Mandali of SLV Temple - V.V. Puram, Temple premises, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Bharati Yogadhama of Sri Sadvidya Pratishtana, Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha and Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions: Discourse on 'Bhagavatha Katha' by senior scholar Dr. K.L. Shankaranarayana Jois, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**

Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru city unit: Shravana Sharana Sanje, residence of Suvarna Shashidhar, #139, 12th Main, Kamakshi Hospital Road, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Rotaract Mysore North: Installation Ceremony of new office-bearers for the year 2017-18, Rotary Mysore North President Rtn. Rajashekar Kadamba Installing Officer, Zone-08 Asst. Governor Rtn. PHF P.V. Ramdas chief guest, Zone-08 Zonal Lieutenant Rtn. PHF P. Ramaradya and RI Dist. 3180 Past DRR Rtr. PHF L.R. Mahadevswamy guests of honour, Hotel Sepoy Grande, M.G. Road, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 29)

Sri Navagraha Sheneshwaraswamy Temple: 7th annual Shravana Month annual celebrations, Sri Mahaganapati Puja, Kalasha Sthapane, Abhisheka, Homa, Mahamangalarati, Theertha-Prasada Viniyoga, **6 am;** Devotional songs by Sri Navagraha Shaneshwara Bhakta Mandali, Temple premises, #79/2A, 5th Cross, Rajendranagar, **6 pm.**

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Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Discourse on Yoga Vashista by Sri Swamiji, **7.30 am;** Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa etc., Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama, Ooty Road, **8.30 am.**

Sri Shaneshwara Bhakta Mandali: Shravana Month Programmes, Ganapathi Puja, Sri Shaneshwaraswamy Puja, Navagraha Puja, Punyaha, Homa, Purnahuti, Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, **8 am onwards;** Bhajans by Sri Rajarajeshwari Bhajana Mandali, **6 pm;** Staging of 'Mythological play 'Raja Vikrama' by Sri Shaneshwaraswamy Krupa Poshita Nataka Mandali-Nazarbad, Temple premises, 1st Cross, Pensioners Block, Rajendranagar, **9.30 pm.**

Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS), Vidyavardhaka FGC: Inauguration of co-curricular activities - 2017-18, MP Pratap Simha inaugurates, VVS Hon. Secretary P. Vishwanath presides, journalist Rajashekar Koti and VVS Hon. Treasurer S.N. Lakshminarayana chief guests, Vidyavardhaka FGC Principal Dr. S. Marigowda will be present, College auditorium, Seshadri Iyer Road, **9.30 am.**

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Akhila Karnataka Rakesh Siddharamaiah Abhimanigala Balaga, Mysuru: 'Rakesh nimage namadondu namana' programme, Sri Shivanandapuri Swamiji graces the occasion, MLA M.K. Somashekar inaugurates, MyLAC Chairman H.A. Venkatesh delivers keynote address, MLA Vasu presides, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, KEA Chairman Siddaraju, former ZP President K. Marigowda, former MyLAC Chairman Ananthu and Corporator Prashanth Gowda, former State Safaikarmacharis Commission Chairman Narayan, chief guests, Freedom Fighters' Park, Subbarayanakere, **6 pm.**

Sri Shivarathreeshwara Religious Endowment, JSS Mahavdiyapeetha: Shivanubhava Dasoha Lecture Series-237, talk on 'Sharanara Sarala Jeevana' by JSS Karnataka Open University Director Prof. K.M. Veeraiah, Karnataka State Middle School Teachers Association President Shivananda Sindanakera presides, Bhajans by Sri Shivarathri Rajendra art troupe, Navajyoti auditorium, JSS Women's College premises, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.**

Prastuti - Cultural Educational Women's Organisation, Social Research and Development Centre, Mysuru: Staging of late Lingadevaru Halemane's play 'Taskara,' Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam inaugurates, Kannada & Culture Asst. Director H. Channappa, theatre director Nataraja Honnavalli, playwright Sujatha Akki and Vijaya Vittala College Principal H. Satyaprasad chief guests, Vanaranga, Rangayana premises, **6 pm.**

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Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Atmajnanandaji speaks on 'The Gospel of Holy Mother,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Sri Jayachamarajendra Wadiyar Vardhanti Concert, Karnatak Classical Vocal by Vidu. Vrinda Acharya, Vid. Mattur Srinidhi on violin, Vidu. Ranjani Venkatesh on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

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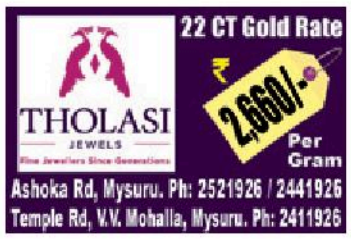
Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya: Lecture on 'Illness to Wellness' by Dr. Prem Masand, Consultant Radiation Oncologist, Global Hospital and Research Centre, Mt. Abu, Rajasthan, Gyan Prakash Bhavan, #59/3, 2nd Main, Yadavagiri, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**



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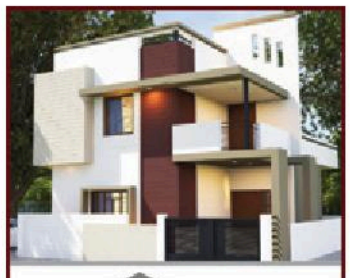

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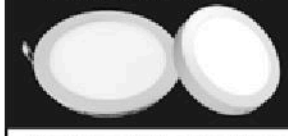

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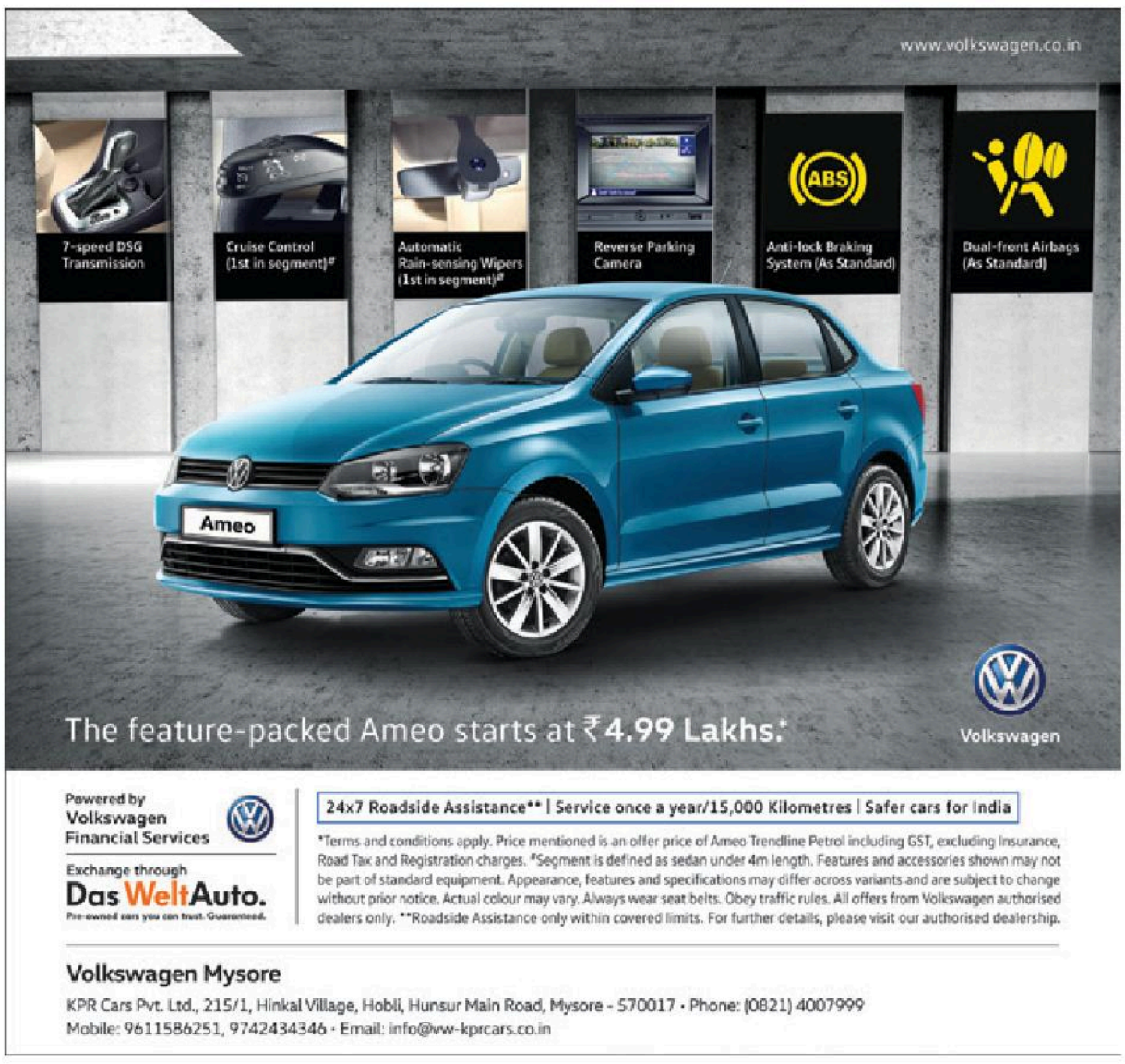

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